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Falls in this State, making a total of 4 cases. The persons sick are members of the family of Adolph Provost, from whom the disease was probably contracted. One death has resulted.

Respectfully,

GARDNER T. SWARTS,  
*Secretary State Board of Health.*

*Smallpox in Richmond, Va.*

RICHMOND, VA., *January 7, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to report 4 cases of smallpox in the retreat for the sick—2 nurses and 2 patients. No one is admitted nor allowed to leave. The building is now quarantined by the authority of the board of health of the city of Richmond. Every effort is being made to stamp out the disease.

I report the above under paragraph 693, Regulations of United States Marine Hospital Service.

Respectfully,

LEE M. STATON,  
*Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

*Arrival at Baltimore of vessels from West Indian and South American ports.*

BALTIMORE, MD., *January 12, 1901.*

SIR: I have to report the arrival of the following vessels from the ports named, for the week ended January 12, 1901:

January 7, American schooner *Edward J. Berwind*, from Santiago de Cuba, ore; American barkentine *Josephine*, from Rio de Janeiro, coffee. January 12, American schooner *Chas. L. Davenport*, from Santiago de Cuba, ore.

Respectfully,

WM. F. STONE,  
*Collector.*

*Reports from the Mexican border.*

*El Paso, Tex., January 15, 1901—Inspection service.*—I have the honor to transmit herewith the following summary of work at this station for the week ended January 5, 1901: Inspected Mexican Central Railroad passengers, 107; inspected Rio Grande and Pacific Railroad passengers, 22; inspected Mexican immigrants, 29; inspected Hungarian immigrants (gypsies), 10; disinfection of baggage, clothing, etc., 29 pieces; disinfection of soiled linen imported for laundry, 312 pieces; disinfection of Pullman linen, 3,622 pieces; vaccination of immigrants, 7.

E. ALEXANDER,  
*Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

*Laredo, Tex., January 5, 1901—Inspection service.*—I have the honor to submit the following report for week ended January 5, 1901: Number of passenger trains inspected entering from Mexico, 14; persons on passenger trains inspected and allowed entry, 463; immigrants inspected and passed, 51; Pullman Company linen disinfected with formaldehyd, 3,505 pieces.

H. J. HAMILTON,  
*Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*